

# THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

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## Indians Scrimmage Central Grid Team Practice Tuesday

### Perquimans Plays at Windsor Next Friday In First Game

Perquimans High School football team climaxed its pre-season practice sessions here Tuesday night by holding a lengthy scrimmage drill with the team representing Central High School. Coaches Joe Levinson of the Indians and John Copley of Central, led their entire squads in the two-hour long practice which gave each an opportunity of noting the strong and weak points of their teams prior to the opening of the season next week.

Coach Levinson mixed up his forty-four candidates into three teams and had each group extensively during the practice against Central. The Indians showed up well both on the offense and defense against Central but Coach Levinson said he saw several mistakes made by the Indians which must be corrected before the Indians' first game of the season, set for next Friday night at Windsor.

No score was kept at the practice Tuesday, both teams alternating on the offensive and defensive, but the Indians ran over several touchdowns while the Central team failed to score against Perquimans.

The Indians will open their ten-game schedule for the 1948 season next Friday when they journey to Windsor to meet Windsor High in a non-conference game. The following Friday the Indians will play their first home game with Robersonville furnishing the opposition.

Interest in the Indians' football season is developing, if the large number of spectators, which gathered to watch the practice Tuesday is any indication, and one of the largest crowds ever gathered at a high school game is expected for the opening game here on October 1.

Practice sessions will continue each day, Coach Levinson stated, between now and next Thursday, when the Indians will taper off awaiting the game against Windsor. The entire squad of the local team have been working hard during the past three weeks in preparation for the season and all signs point toward a fine year for the Indians.

## County Board Votes Bookmobile Funds

Members of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners held their September meeting last Monday morning in the office of J. W. Ward, clerk to the board. Removal of the meeting from the regular spot in the court room was made necessary because the Draft Board is continuing registration of youths during this week.

A delegation representing the Perquimans Library, composed of Miss Mae Wood Winslow, Mrs. T. P. Brinn and S. M. Whedbee, requested the Board to furnish gasoline and oil for the library bookmobile to be used in this county. The Board voted to pay this expenditure for a period of two months, at which time it will reconsider the request.

Mr. Ward was authorized to request the State Highway Commission to assume the upkeep on the David Copeland road, located in Hertford Township. This road has a total of five families living thereon and previously has been kept in passable condition by the owner of the land adjacent to the roadway.

On motion ordered the Board voted to donate the sum of \$100 to the Perquimans Baseball Club to help defray the expenses of the club in the Albemarle League during the past year.

The selection of jurors to serve at the October term of Superior Court, was tabled until the next meeting of the Board on October 4th.

## Library Bookmobile Arrives Here Today

The newest addition to Perquimans County Library system will arrive in Hertford today. A bookmobile, given to the county by the State Library Commission, will arrive today and plans are in the making for immediate operation of the vehicle.

Members of the local Library Board have announced that the bookmobile will be used to deliver library books to patrons throughout the county and that a schedule is now being drawn up which will be used as the itinerary for the bookmobile. The schedule for the bookmobile will be announced as soon as it is completed.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED??

Are you, as a resident of the Town of Hertford, interested in helping local civic clubs to obtain additional mail facilities for this community? If so, you are invited to write a brief letter stating why you desire, and think, that delivery of parcel post should be established at the Hertford Post Office.

Letters should be brief, stating conditions as they affect you personally. The letters should be addressed to S. M. Whedbee, Hertford Postmaster, and all letters must be signed by the writer.

Mail your letters to Post Office, Box 128, Hertford, N. C.

## CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS TO COOPERATE ON PLAN TO SECURE ADDED MAIL SERVICE

### Central PTA Meets Next Monday Night

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Perquimans County Central Grammar School will hold its first meeting of the school year Monday evening, September 20, at 8 o'clock at the school building.

The subject for the meeting is "Good Health for North Carolina's Children." Mrs. Graham Wood will speak on this subject. The Rev. Coy S. Saunders will conduct the devotional.

Everyone is invited to attend.

### Webb-Cook Wedding Solemnized Sept. 5th

Stockton, the colonial home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Roscoe Cook near Woodville, was the scene of the wedding of their daughter, Peggy Dolores, to John Horace Webb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thomas Webb of Durants Neck on Sunday afternoon, September 5, at 4 o'clock.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. W. Singletary in the yard under an archway arranged before a background of pine and cypress. The bride wore a gown of white tulle and a crushed waist band forming a small bustle. Long French cerise gloves and blue shoes completed the ensemble. The only ornament worn was a cameo necklace belonging to the bridegroom's mother, which had been worn by the other brides-in her family. The bridegroom wore a white tuxedo with a white bow tie and a white boutonniere. The bride carried a bouquet of white gladioli and asters, fern and lily-of-the-valley.

From the open doorway strains of the wedding music could be heard as played by Miss Carolyn Neece of Elizabeth City. Miss Ethel Frances Elliott of Hertford, standing in the doorway, sang "I Love You Truly," "Because" and as a benediction "O Perfect Love."

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was attired in an afternoon dress of blue and pink changeable brocade taffeta styled with short sleeves, wide circular skirt and a crushed waist band forming a small bustle. Long French cerise gloves and blue shoes completed the ensemble. The only ornament worn was a cameo necklace belonging to the bridegroom's mother, which had been worn by the other brides-in her family. The bride carried a bouquet of white gladioli and asters, fern and lily-of-the-valley.

Also attending the bride were her four sisters. Miss Nora Grace Cook as junior bridesmaid wore pink tulle and carried a miniature nosegay of pink carnations tied with blue and pink ribbon and a matching halo in her hair.

The bridesmaids were Mrs. Lester Jordan of Edenton wearing grey crepe with rust and gold chrysanthemums and Miss Mary Sue Cook wearing rust brown crepe with gold. (Continued on Page Five)

### Board Of Education To Sell School Sites

Perquimans County's Board of Education, meeting in regular session on Monday, voted to sell four Negro school sites at public auction on October 16, it was announced today by J. T. Biggers, superintendent of schools. Mr. Biggers was authorized by the Board to advertise and conduct the sale of the sites.

The four sites to be sold are the Leigh Temple, Cedar Hill, Saunders Bottom and Wyanoak sites. These schools were closed this past summer and the students assigned to other schools of the county. Closing of the schools was necessitated by the loss of four Negro teachers for this county during the past year.

The sale of the sites will be conducted at the Courthouse door in Hertford at 12 noon, October 16.

Five civic organizations of Hertford, the Rotary and Lions Clubs, the PTA, American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars have joined together to sponsor a project to promote additional mail services in this community, it was announced here Wednesday morning following a meeting of the presidents of the groups at the Rotary Club meeting Tuesday night.

Mrs. D. M. Jackson, president of the Hertford PTA; William Cox, president of the Lions Club; Clarence Phillips, commander of the American Legion and Eldon Winslow, commander of the VFW, were guests of the Rotary Club at the Rotary meeting Tuesday night. Following the regular meeting of the Rotarians, the guests and the Rotary committee for this project, led by W. F. Ainsley, Rotary president, met to discuss the project. A brief outline of the work which must be carried out toward achieving the goal was given by Mr. Ainsley, after which the leaders of the other civic groups voiced their approval of the project and agreed to give cooperation toward obtaining the services for Hertford.

The objectives of the clubs will be to seek the delivery of parcel post packages within the town and the addition of a second city carrier, which will enable two full deliveries of mail within the town twice daily. Petitions to this end will be prepared and presented to the Post Office Department and if granted, additional help will be added to the Hertford Post Office.

Following a brief outline of the plan Tuesday night, the leaders of the civic organizations agreed to take the proposal to their clubs this week and stated that committees will be appointed to work with the Rotary Club toward the goal. A meeting of these committees will be held at the VFW hall next Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Procedure, in obtaining necessary data and petitions, will be outlined at this meeting next week, after which extensive work toward developing the plan is expected to get under way.

## Town Board Holds Routine Meeting

Members of the Board of Commissioners for the Town of Hertford met in regular session at the Town office Monday night. With only a few fiscal matters being placed before the board, the meeting was a short one.

A. W. Hefren appeared before the board and requested the commissioners for a donation to help defray the expenses of the Perquimans Baseball club during the past season. After some discussion of the matter the board voted to discount, by fifty percent, the remaining portion of the light bill due the town.

W. G. Newby, town clerk, reported that the audit of the Town's books was completed late last week and a full report by the auditor will be made within the next few days. In connection with the discussion of the audit, Mayor V. N. Darden reported to the board some facts and figures on the expenditures of the Town and it was a consensus of opinion that an increase in the Town's tax rate will be made when the tax rate is set at the next meeting.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Britt of Raleigh announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Keaton, born September 8. Mrs. Britt was Miss, Eloise Keaton before her marriage.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Yantis of Tampa, Fla., announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Patricia, born September 7th. Mrs. Yantis is the former Miss Dot Edwards.

## Recorder's Court Clears Big Docket At Session Tuesday

### More Than Forty Cases Listed On Calendar; Week Long Recess

Perquimans County Recorder's Court disposed of more than 40 cases listed on the court calendar here Tuesday morning after the court had been in recess for a period of two weeks. The majority of the cases listed were for traffic violations, but there was a decided increase in the number of other petty cases heard at this term of court.

Defendants charged with speeding and who entered pleas of guilty to the charges were Lyman Edwards, who was taxed with the costs of court. Samuel Reside, Russell Barnhardt, Chester Rhoads and Franklin Lathrop each paid a fine of \$5 and costs. John Vardine, Jay Dunbar and Alice Landin were fined \$10 and costs and Seymour Elefant was fined \$15 and costs.

Cornelius Ward, Charlie Faked and Harry Fisher each entered a plea of guilty to charges of reckless driving and each was fined \$25 and costs of court.

Lionel Nairn and Lee Williams were taxed with the costs of court on charges of passing on a curve.

Charles Sullivan and Ruth White, charged with driving without a license, entered pleas of guilty and paid fines of \$25 and costs of court.

Court costs were taxed against the prosecuting witness, Lillian Creecy, Negro, in the case charging William Riddick, Negro, with assault.

Luther Williams, Negro, was taxed with the costs of court on a charge of failing to stop at a stop sign.

Julian Hines paid the costs of court on a charge of failing to stop at a stop sign.

Mildred Jones, Negro, paid the costs of court on a charge of being disorderly on the streets of Hertford.

Bruce Horton entered a plea of guilty to a charge of fishing without a license and paid the costs of court.

Joe Hoffer, Negro, was fined \$10 and ordered to pay the costs of court for driving with insufficient brakes.

Isabella MacDaniel entered a plea of guilty to a charge of failing to stop at a signal. Prayer for judgment was continued.

The State took a nol pro in the case charging Enos Mallory, Negro, with an assault.

James Felton and Charles Hudson were taxed with the costs of court on charges of being drunk and disorderly.

Troy Elliott, entering a plea of guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly, paid a fine of \$25 and costs. A 30-day road sentence was (Continued on Page Eight)

## County Employment Report Shows Drop

Perquimans County showed a decrease in employment subject to the Employment Security Law in the first quarter of 1948, as compared to the same period in 1947, it was revealed this week by a report given by the State Employment Commission.

The average weekly wage paid in Perquimans County during the period was \$32.38, which compares to the coastal area average of \$34.09.

Perquimans County, in the first three months of 1948, had 436 workers in covered employment who earned \$183,541, an average of \$32.38 a week. In manufacture, 348 workers received \$135,762 in wages, average \$30.00 a week. In transportation and communication, this county had 9 workers who earned \$4,599. In finance, insurance and real estate 8 workers earned \$4,793.

From the fourth quarter of 1947 to the first quarter of 1948, Perquimans County showed a 16.31 per cent loss in employment.

## Farm Bureau And HDC To Sponsor Fish Fry

Members of the Perquimans Farm Bureau and Home Demonstration Clubs will sponsor a fish fry to be held at Memorial Field in Hertford next Thursday evening at 6 o'clock, it was announced today by Fred T. Mathews, president of the Farm Bureau.

John Eagles, field representative for the N. C. Farm Bureau, will be the guest speaker at the event.

One of the largest crowds ever to assemble at a fish fry is expected to gather at the local field next week. Special invitations have been mailed out to members of the Bureau and the clubs, as well as to a large number of guests.

## LOCAL DRAFT BOARD TO OPERATE IN NEW OFFICES BEGINNING MONDAY MORNING

### Forestry Field Day Planned For County

J. C. Jones, District Extension Forester, was in the county Monday to assist County Agent I. C. Yagel in laying out a plot for a forest thinning demonstration. The site selected was on Highway 17 just north of Hertford on the Nixon farm. A one acre plot was measured off and Mr. Jones marked the trees which should be removed to thin the stand of timber to the proper number of trees for best results. The trees will be thinned later this fall and the wood piled to show the amount taken out. A forestry field day is being planned at which time the public will be invited to observe the results. Forestry specialists will be on hand to explain the various phases of farm forestry. A visit to the fence post and timber crosscutting plant located in Perquimans County will be included in the plans for the field day.

### 435 Registered By Local Board Up to Wednesday Noon; Questionnaires Next

Men, 18 through 25 years of age, must comply with the selective service law and register with their local Draft Board before 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, it was pointed out today by Mrs. Ruth Sumner, clerk of the Perquimans Board, who stated that today and Saturday will be the final days for the special registration which started the latter part of August. Youths 18 and 19 are scheduled to register today and tomorrow. Other men eligible for selective service and who have not as yet registered, must also appear before the Board during these two days.

Beginning next Monday, Mrs. Sumner said, the local Board will open its offices in the building over the bus station in Hertford and all selective service operations will be carried on at this new location. Youths who reach their 18th birthday after tomorrow are required to report to the local Board office and register within five days of their birthday.

Judging from the number of registrants signed up at noon Wednesday, the county will fail to come up to State expectations on the number of men to register in this county. A total of 435 registrants had appeared before the Board up to Wednesday of this week. State Selective Service headquarters had estimated that a total of 784 would be registered here. The clerk of the local Board estimated that approximately 600 may be registered by tomorrow night, inasmuch as a large number of 18 and 19 year olds are expected to register today and Saturday.

Anticipating the first draft call for some time in November, the local Board will begin next week to mail out questionnaires to the men who have registered. The questionnaire will be mailed out according to age groups. Those registrants of 25 will be the first to receive the forms and each registrant will have ten days in which to fill out the forms and return them to the local Board.

Of the number of men already registered by the local Board, Mrs. Sumner estimates, about one-third of the men are veterans and are unlikely to be called for service under the new draft law.

## Miss Belle Landing Weds Preston Divers

Miss Belle Holden Landing, daughter of D. W. Landing and Preston Divers, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Divers were united in marriage at the Hertford Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Rev. D. L. Fouts officiated at the impressive ceremony.

The church was beautiful decorated with palms, fern, white gladioli and lighted candles.

Prior to the ceremony Miss Kate Blanchard, organist, rendered a selection of nuptial music and Leslie Winslow, soloist, sang Because. At the close of the ceremony Mr. Winslow sang The Lord's Prayer.

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, was attired in a gown of white taffeta, fashioned with a tight fitted bodice with lace peplum and a full skirt. Her fingertip veil was held in place by a tiara of seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of white roses.

Mrs. James Sawyer, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore an aqua gown with matching accessories. Her flowers were a nosegay of red roses.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Robert Elliott, who wore a salmon pink gown, Mrs. Allan Bovanizer, who wore a blue gown, Mrs. Worth Chory, who wore a pink gown and Miss Lee Barnes, of Baltimore, Md., who wore a moss green gown. The bridesmaids carried a nosegay of mixed flowers and their headress was a tiara of red roses.

Diana Divers and Catherine Sawyer were flower girls. They wore white taffeta gowns.

Allan Bovanizer, brother-in-law of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Emmett and William Landing, Nathan Sawyer and James Sawyer.

Mrs. Tom Perry was mistress of ceremonies.

After a wedding trip to unannounced points the young couple will make their home in Hertford where the groom is engaged in the jewelry business.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Paul of Ogden, Utah, announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Grace, on August 10. Mrs. Paul is the former Miss Maude Keaton.

## THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

Recommendations will be made to the next Congress, which convenes in January, for some drastic changes to be made in the administrative branch of our Government, it was disclosed this week by former President Herbert Hoover, speaking before the National Press Club in Washington. Among the recommendations expected to be made by the committee working on the problems, is for the enlargement of the President's cabinet. Mr. Hoover told the Press Club members that our government has grown so large that it is now almost impossible for the President to handle all the detail work and increasing the size of the cabinet and detailing more authority to cabinet members will correct some of these conditions. Another recommendation expected to be made is the cutting down of the number of lending agencies now operated by the government.

From all indications talks between representatives of the Western Allies and Russia have reached a stalemate and reports from Europe show little or no signs of agreements being reached concerning the lifting of the blockade of Berlin, and settlement of other differences between the nations. Meanwhile, the United States and British air forces continue the air lift service which is supplying Berlin with badly needed foodstuffs and other materials, both for Allied peoples and Germans. The latest wrinkle in the peace disputes arose this week when Russia attempted to block talks on the disposition of Italian colonies because the United States and Britain failed to send their Secretaries of State to the meeting. These nations were represented by ambassadors, while Russia was represented by Assistant Premier Andrei Vishinsky.

Meanwhile Great Britain revealed this week that it is putting into action a three-phase re-armament program to prepare itself and other Western European nations against dangers of the present international situation. The British program will call for reduction in the number of men released from the armed forces and the stepping up of production of jet fighter planes.

While the State's polio epidemic, according to reports, is on the downward trend, 12 new cases reported Tuesday sent the total number of cases for the summer over the 2,000 mark. One hundred nine deaths have resulted from the disease. A number of counties having no new cases reported in recent weeks have lifted bans ordered early this summer.

Sixty patients of the Rocky Mount hospital escaped injury Monday when a \$40,000 fire swept the hospital. Firemen, assisted by Red Cross workers, and Boy Scouts removed a number of the patients from the fire area of the building and quickly brought the blaze under control.

## Dance Nets \$59 For Children's Relief

The Perquimans County Home Demonstration Club campaign for relief to overseas children was upped by \$59 when proceeds from a dance sponsored by the local VFW Post were turned over to Miss Nina Braswell, county home agent, this week.

The committee heading this campaign expresses its thanks to the VFW Post and the public for the response and aid rendered to the drive by this contribution.